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'Charismatic,' 'brilliant,' 'loved'

Fellow Acadia students, former colleagues, friends remember Sydney Taylor, 21, who died Tuesday in Cancun after a fatal fall

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Oil spilled into harbour

Again. 'Significant' amount spilled by Royal Canadian Navy warship; about 150 personnel help cleanup effort

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Haligonian David Myles did help win a Juno for rap recording, but don't expect any Jay-Z cameos from this crooner's upcoming show

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Fallen classmate

Acadia University convocation will likely feature remembrance

A spokesperson for Acadia University said the school is talking with Sydney Taylor's family about the best way to honour the young woman during convocation ceremonies this weekend.

Scott Roberts said it's not clear yet what form a potential memorial would take.

"Clearly, on a small campus, it will be quite certain that through convocation she will be acknowledged and remembered in some way, but I don't know exactly how that will occur," he said.

Students Union president Matthew Rios said he was certain students would want to do something to remember Taylor.

"I think that a weekend that is typically emotional, like convocation, will be magnified this weekend because of the tremendous loss," he said. "I think ... there will be recognition, a celebration of life, I think is what we're looking for right now."

Todd Abbass, owner of Stayner's Wharf, said a tribute is a good idea, but didn't know what form it might take.

"She had a heart of gold," he said. "The guests loved her, the staff loved her, she was just a beautiful person, inside and out."

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Heart of gold

"The guests loved her, the staff loved her ..."

Todd Abbass, owner of Stayner's Wharf, where Sydney Taylor worked



Twenty-one-year-old Sydney Taylor was a former Halifax Grammar student and a recent graduate of Acadia University. FACEBOOK

Student 'brightened everybody's day'

Fatal fall in Cancun.

Friends, former boss remember Sydney Taylor as young woman with promising future



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The young woman who died during a trip to Cancun celebrating her impending convocation is being remembered as a brilliant student, natural leader and dominant life force.

"She was brilliant, articu-

Giving thanks

"At the end of the day anyone that knew Sydney is better off for knowing her."

Matthew Rios, president of Acadia Students' Union

late, extremely charismatic and certainly someone that everyone admired and certainly looked up to," said Matthew Rios, president of the Acadia University Students' Union.

Sydney Taylor, 21, died Tuesday after falling from a second-floor balcony at the Gran Caribe Real Resort and Spa.

Rios said Taylor was a fellow politics student and always

active in the department.

"She ... had some great ideas around environmental conservation, around feminism. She was always involved in different campaigns around campus," he said, adding the sudden death has rattled the close-knit student body.

Taylor moved to Halifax from Atlanta, Ga., with her family and attended Halifax

Grammar School, graduating in 2009.

The owner of Stayner's Wharf said Taylor made an immediate impression during the summer of 2011 when she worked as a hostess, and he was looking forward to her return later this month.

"She brought such a wonderful energy with her when she came to work," said Todd Abbass.

Taylor had emerged as a talented singer and guitar player since her first stint at Stayner's, and Abbass said he'd been looking forward to seeing her perform. "She'll be greatly missed," he said.

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Navy ship spills fuel into Halifax harbour

Incident during fuel transfer. HMCS St. John's

John's was anchored near Dartmouth Cove, directly across from downtown

Something in the air

The powerful smell of fuel on the water was still evident several hours after the spill was reported.

For the second time since 2011, a Royal Canadian Navy warship has spilled fuel into Halifax harbour.

Navy Capt. Angus Topshee says the spill is "significant," but he wasn't able to say how much diesel fuel ended up in the harbour on Wednesday from HMCS St. John's.

Topshee, the base commander at CFB Halifax, said about 150 military personnel were involved in a cleanup of the Dartmouth side of the harbour. Soldiers and sailors dressed in white plastic coveralls soaked up fuel using absorbent pads.

"We've done a fairly extensive cleanup along the shoreline," Topshee said.

The spill happened during a fuel transfer in the vessel and the moment the leak was

discovered, it was stopped, he added.

"It was more than a small amount but not all the fuel in the ship," said Topshee.

A military spokeswoman said the spill was reported at 5 a.m. Wednesday by crew aboard the frigate, but Topshee said he wasn't sure when the spill was reported.

"As you can imagine, when something goes wrong there's a bit of confusion," he said.

In a statement, military public affairs said Canadian Forces safety and environment specialists were working with Environment Canada to minimize the impact of the spill.

Built in the mid-1990s, the Halifax-class ship — one of 12 frigates in the fleet — has a displacement of 4,700 tonnes and is considered a navy



Several cleanup crews were dispatched to Dartmouth Cove after HMCS St. John's spilled fuel into Halifax harbour early Wednesday morning. DEVAAN INGRAHAM/FOR METRO

workhorse.

Two years ago, it took the navy more than five hours to stop HMCS Preserver, a navy supply ship, from leaking fuel into the harbour.

An investigation into the spill on March 16, 2011, concluded there were several procedural lapses, including the fact that officers failed to act quickly, lighting was inad-

equate and lookouts weren't in the right position.

More than 14,000 litres of fuel leaked into the harbour that day.

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Two youths taken into custody. Woman clings to life after axe attack in Peggy's Cove

Police in Halifax say a 52-year-old woman suffered life-threatening injuries after being attacked with an axe in Peggy's Cove.

Just after 9 p.m. Wednesday, police were called to a home in Prospect Road after the victim was hit multiple times with an axe. She suffered life-threatening injuries and was rushed to hospital by paramedics.

About 90 minutes later, police say two female youths were arrested in a vehicle on Mumford Road in Halifax and taken into custody.

Police say the victim and the youths are known to one another.

There was no word on charges but police refer to the case as an attempted murder.

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Speakers line up in favour of changes to HRM development powers

A provincial legislative committee will consider amendments to HRM's charter Thursday after hearing input and suggestions from a long list of mostly supportive speakers.

Eleven people addressed the law amendments committee Wednesday evening, and all but one spoke in favour of the proposal to allow

the use of site-plan approval and density bonusing in the regional centre.

"Where we see this bill as being productive is in allowing the veil of uncertainty to be lifted and allowing not just increased density, but increased diversity in the occupants of the central area," said John Grace of WHW Architects.

Some speakers suggested changes to protect affordable housing units for the lifespan of the development in question, and to clarify the definition as targeted to "low to moderate" incomes.

"Is it a mix of units, with some to be low and some moderate, or could a developer deem \$100,000 a year as moderate income and have

rent prices that reflect that amount?" said Meredith Vessey of the Ecology Action Centre.

The lone opponent was Phil Pacey of the Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia, who said the changes wouldn't achieve HRM's stated goals and are anti-democratic.

"Density bonusing and site plan approval provide discre-

tionary powers, so somebody can make a decision in the privacy of their office," he said.

"The basis of that decision is not public, it is not open to scrutiny."

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Details

Site-plan approval allows for much faster approval of proposals, and density bonusing offers additional height or density to developers who include public amenities, such as affordable housing.

Victim allegedly grabbed

Man tried to abduct woman after flagging down car: Police

Police in Cape Breton are investigating the alleged attempted abduction of a woman.

On Tuesday around 5 p.m., RCMP in Waycobah say a female was driving on Portage Road in Orangedale when a man on the side of the road flagged her down

for help.

The woman stopped, and was told by the man he was having car troubles. He asked to use her cellphone.

When the woman handed over her cellphone outside her vehicle, police say the man grabbed her by the wrist and tried to pull her into his car.

The woman was able to break free and got back into her own vehicle and drove away before calling police. She suffered a bruised wrist.

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Two vehicles involved

Woman seriously hurt in crash

Police say a 84-year-old woman suffered life-threatening injuries after a two-vehicle crash in Halifax on Wednesday afternoon.

At 2:30 p.m., police say a transport truck travelling southbound on Robie Street collided with a car exiting a business parking lot.

The driver of the car was rushed to hospital by paramedics.



The accident scene Wednesday. CONTRIBUTED

Traffic was reduced to one lane in each direction for several hours.

Police said late Thursday they were continuing to investigate the crash. METRO

Forest-fire index

'Pretty crispy' in our forests

Fire-control officials are urging people to be extra cautious in the great outdoors as the province's forest-fire index continues to climb.

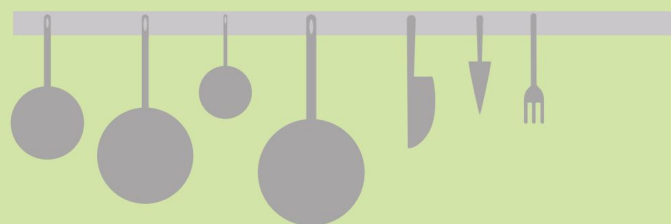
"It's pretty crispy out there," fire prevention officer Kara McCurdy said.

Portions of Cumberland County were in the extreme range Wednesday, while areas including HRM were high. TRANSCONTINENTAL MEDIA

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Kelloway murder. Accused appears in court

A man charged in the stabbing death of a Glace Bay man in Calgary has made a brief court appearance.



Craig Kelloway

Nicholas Rasberry, 30, appeared via video and stood quietly while his lawyer asked that the case be adjourned to May 23.

Rasberry is charged with second-degree murder.

Harvey (Craig) Kelloway, who was 31, was stabbed during a fight at a neighbour's home on Saturday night.

Police say Kelloway had first met the neighbour earlier in the day.

A 911 call was made from inside the suspect's house, but police haven't said who made the call.

Rasberry's lawyer said outside court Wednesday that his client was doing as well as can be expected "given the background of the event and his personal background."

Alain Hepner said the crime isn't in keeping with what he knows about Rasberry.

"He has no (criminal) history and I know he's not known to police at all," said Hepner. "He was a professional engineer working in the oil industry."

Family members say Kelloway is survived by his girlfriend and a young son.

The teacher moved to Calgary from Cape Breton six years ago after graduating from St. Francis Xavier University and Acadia University.

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Fake guns on the rise in Halifax, say police



Const. Mike Cheeseman of Halifax Regional Police displays replica handguns during a media demonstration at Halifax Regional Police headquarters on Wednesday. DEVAAN INGRAHAM/FOR METRO

Still considered a weapon. Police say it's tough to distinguish between replicas and real firearms



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Replica handguns are becoming more common in Halifax, and police are warning the public to think twice before buying one.

The guns and gangs integrated police unit displayed a table full of the fake weapons Wednesday morning, part of the 50 seizures already brought in this year.

"In my mind there's no legitimate reason to be in possession of a replica handgun," said Const. Mike Cheeseman of Halifax Regional Police.

He said besides gun enthusiasts using them for target practice in the woods, most replicas turn up in a crime scene when they're

used to intimidate people in a robbery or assault.

There's also the issue of threatening someone who has the real thing.

"If they roll up on someone who has a real firearm, it could also result in getting themselves shot," Cheeseman said.

In other areas of North America, Cheeseman said officers have shot and killed young people who they believed to have a gun, but turned out to be only a replica. "It puts both the officer and the public in danger," he said.

The court system recognizes replicas as weapons, and charges can be laid because they incite the same reaction in a victim.

In the past three or four years replica guns have become more prevalent and much more authentic-looking, Cheeseman said, thanks to manufacturers taking steps to be closest to the original.

"I'm sure they could tell you all the good reasons why they do them (this way). As a police officer I don't see the merits for it," Cheeseman said.

HMCS Toronto recovers 300 kg of heroin

HMCS Toronto has made another significant drug seizure during a counter-terrorism mission in the Arabian Sea.

The Canadian Defence Department has announced that on Monday the ship's naval boarding team searched a vessel and recovered about 315 kilograms of heroin and

a small amount of hashish, all of which they say will be destroyed.

"The seizure of 315 kilograms of heroin half a world away from Canadian shores is a demonstration of our government's resolve to assist in international actions and keep Canadian streets

safe," Defence Minister Peter MacKay said in a statement Wednesday.

"The actions of HMCS Toronto is a demonstration of the professionalism, leadership and dedication of the Canadian Armed Forces."

Back in March, crew on HMCS Toronto recovered

about 500 kilograms of heroin from a large narcotics shipment in the Indian Ocean.

HMCS Toronto left Halifax for the Arabian Sea and a six-month deployment back in January. The ship is expected to return home in late July.

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Riding the warm-weather wave

Jeremy Long takes advantage of the sunny weather while skateboarding at the Halifax Common skate park on Wednesday. It was another beautiful day Wednesday, with temperatures reaching 23 C. DEVAAN INGRAHAM/FOR METRO

Dock MLAs for long vacations: PCs

Consequences. Those who take extended breaks when the legislature is sitting should face stiff penalties, says Baillie



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A proposal by the leader of the Progressive Conservatives brings a whole new meaning to the term "vacation pay."

Jamie Baillie said on Wednesday that MLAs who take "extended vacations" while the legislature is sitting should face repercussions.

"I asked the Speaker to put in place rules to make sure people come to the legislature, and dock their pay when they don't," Baillie said.

"The reality is every Nova Scotian checks their work commitments before they book a

vacation, and it should be the same for MLAs."

Last Wednesday, Liberal MLA Manning MacDonald returned from a three-week vacation in Florida, which he said was a 70th birthday gift from his wife.

Baillie said he was "very disappointed" that Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil let MacDonald take so much time off, especially when the provincial budget was being debated.

The PC leader said he would like to see Nova Scotia follow Newfoundland rules, where MLAs have to pay \$200 for every day they miss.

He said there should be a panel of citizens who would decide when a MLA's vacation becomes extended, and oversee other financial aspects of the legislature based on "real-world common sense."

McNeil said Wednesday he approved MacDonald's trip four months ago when dates for the spring legislature session hadn't been announced

Quoted



"We need rules to enforce people coming to work, when common sense is so obviously missing."

Tory Leader Jamie Baillie

yet and didn't know he would miss so much time.

"Of course I wish he had not been missing, I think anyone would think that's unreasonable," McNeil said.

McNeil said the issue is serious, but would like to look at modernizing all the rules of Province House, not just extended vacation in "isolation."

He added since three PC MLAs were in Cape Breton last Friday it is worth looking into whether or not their pay should be docked as well.

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Man charged in decade-long kidnapping, rape of women

Cleveland, Ohio.

No evidence his brothers were involved, police say

A Cleveland man arrested after three women missing for a decade were found alive at his run-down home was charged Wednesday with kidnapping and raping them. Prosecutors brought no charges against his brothers, saying there was no evidence they had any part in the crime.

Ariel Castro, 52, was charged with four counts of kidnapping — covering all three captives and the daughter born to one of them while she was held — and three counts of rape against the three women.

The former school bus driver owns the home where the women were rescued on Monday, after one of them broke through a screen door.

Police said that they were apparently bound with ropes and chains, and a city councilman briefed on the case, Brian Cummins, said they suffered

miscarriages.

Deputy Police Chief Ed Tomba said the women could remember being outside only twice during their captivity.

And their first opportunity to escape didn't come until Monday, he said. The women were not kept in the same room but knew they were not alone, he said.

Earlier in the day, former captives Amanda Berry and Gina DeJesus were welcomed home by jubilant crowds of loved ones and neighbours with balloons and banners.

The third captive, Michelle Knight, 32, was reported in good condition at Metro Health Medical Center.

Neighbours said that Ariel Castro took part in the search for one of the missing women, helped pass out fliers, performed music at a fundraiser for her and attended a candlelight vigil, where he comforted her mother. As recently as 2005, Castro was accused of repeated acts of violence against his children's mother.

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Neighbours and friends of Amanda Berry clap as she arrives at her sister's home on Wednesday in Cleveland. Inset: Ariel Castro, the former bus driver charged with the crime. TONY DEJAK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

'Similarities'

A fourth girl?



Ashley Summers
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A fourth woman could be connected to the shocking case, the FBI confirms.

Ashley Summers dis-

appeared at age 14 from the same area where the others were abducted.

Knight was abducted in 2002, Berry in 2003 and DeJesus in 2004.

Summers was last seen on July 9, 2007.

FBI spokesperson Vicki Anderson said the disappearance has "similarities" that the FBI is investigating.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Package had makings of a bomb: Ottawa police



Police are looking for witnesses in relation to the suspicious package. METRO

A suspicious package found in the lobby of the Ottawa offices of the Department of National Defence Tuesday evening had the hallmarks of an improvised explosive device, police say.

"An X-ray was done of the package," said Insp. Mike Maloney. He said the package had a power source and a timing device but no explosive material. He also said

there was "never any danger to the public."

"All the material was there, but that doesn't mean it was a bomb," said Maloney.

Even if the device was not found to be an explosive, Maloney said there's still the potential to lay public mischief charges given the disruption to the public.

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Utah soccer game

Teen charged with homicide by assault in one-punch killing

A Utah teen accused of punching a soccer referee who later died was charged Wednesday with homicide by assault, a count issued when an attack unintentionally causes death.

Salt Lake County District

Attorney Sim Gill also said he will seek to try the teen as an adult in the death of 46-year-old Ricardo Portillo.

The charge is less serious than manslaughter. It carries a sentence of up to five years in prison for adults.

Portillo called a penalty on the teen for pushing. Charging documents show witnesses said the teenager threw one punch, hitting Portillo in the rear jaw area.

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Jodi Arias convicted of first-degree murder in death of ex-boyfriend

Show's over, folks.

Trial gained worldwide attention due to soap-opera dramatics, with at least one court regular selling spot for \$200

Jodi Arias was convicted of first-degree murder Wednesday in the gruesome killing of her one-time boyfriend in Arizona after a four-month trial that captured headlines with lurid tales of sex, lies, religion and a salacious relationship that ended in a blood bath.

Arias fought back tears, and family members of the victim wept and hugged each other as the verdict was announced in the hushed, packed courtroom.

Outside, a huge crowd that had gathered on the courthouse steps screamed, whistled and cheered the news in a case that has attracted fans from across the country who travelled to Phoenix to be close to the proceedings. Some

chanted "USA, USA, USA!"

The jury of eight men and four women took about 15 hours to reach its verdict after four months of testimony, including 18 days on the witness stand by the 32-year-old Arias, a small-town waitress. The jury will return to the courtroom Thursday to begin the next phase of the trial that could set the stage for her being sentenced to death.

Arias was charged with first-degree murder in the June 2008 death of Travis Alexander in his suburban Phoenix home. Authorities said she planned the attack in a jealous rage after being rejected by the victim while he pursued other women. Arias initially denied involvement then later blamed the killing on masked intruders. Two years after her arrest, she said it was self-defence.

The trial quickly snowballed into a made-for-the-tablets drama, garnering daily coverage from cable news networks and spawning a virtual cottage industry for talk shows, legal experts and even



In this May 1 photo, Jodi Arias sits in court in Phoenix. It has become a real-life soap opera for people around the world and dozens of fanatics who camp out on a Phoenix sidewalk to get in. THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Arias, who used her notoriety to sell artwork she made in jail.

The trial will move into a phase during which prosecutors will argue the killing was

committed in an especially cruel, heinous and depraved manner, called the "aggravation" phase. If the jury agrees, another phase will determine whether she should get the

death penalty.

A mob of spectators, TV crews, media trucks and reporters lined nearby streets.

Alexander suffered nearly 30 knife wounds, was shot



Travis Alexander MYSPACE.COM

Testimony

Arias spent 18 days on the stand describing an abusive childhood, cheating exes, dead-end jobs, a shocking sexual relationship with Alexander, and her contention that he'd grown abusive.

in the forehead and had his throat slit before Arias dragged his body into his shower. He was found by friends about five days later.

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Better spray than sorry

South Korean soldiers spray down a firefighter dressed in protective gear to wash away mock biochemical materials used during an anti-biochemical drill as part of annual drills called Safe Korea Exercise in Seoul on Wednesday. More than 8,400 people from various government offices participated in the drill, including the Seoul Metropolitan City Police, the health ministry and military troops.

LEE JIN-MAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Appeals court upholds Berlusconi conviction

Former Premier Silvio Berlusconi's tax fraud conviction and four-year prison sentence were upheld on the first appeal Wednesday in a case that could see him barred from public office for five years.

In Italy, defendants are legally considered innocent until all appeals are exhausted, and Berlusconi's lawyers are expected to appeal the case to the nation's highest Court of Cassation.

Still, the ruling, which comes just days before prosecutors wrap up closing arguments in his sensational sex-for-hire trial, raises the question of whether Berlusconi's days as a political force are numbered.



Silvio Berlusconi GETTY IMAGES FILE

Although Berlusconi holds no governmental posts he remains influential. It was his decision to head the centre-right coalition that gave a boost to his forces in February's election, finishing a close second to the centre-left.

"My opinion is that a personality who had such a relevant role in Italy for 20 years — absolutely controversial, evidently, but relevant — cannot be eliminated by judicial means, but by political means," Stefano Folli, a polit-

ical commentator said on La7 private TV.

The 5 Star Movement party is pressing to apply the judicial ban on public office immediately. Italian media reported that cheers went up in a party meeting when the verdict was announced.

Indeed, the case is tightly tied to Berlusconi's political fortunes. He announced he was stepping aside two days before the October lower court verdict convicting him in a scheme that involved inflating the price his media empire paid for TV rights to U.S. movies and pocketing the difference.

Even if the sentence is confirmed, it is unlikely Berlusconi would serve time for the tax-fraud case because a furlough would likely be applied.

Berlusconi has been convicted in other cases but the convictions have always either been overturned on appeal or seen the statute of limitations run out.

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Boycott movement

Stephen Hawking won't attend Israeli conference

British physicist Stephen Hawking — one of the world's most famous scientists — has dropped plans to attend a major international conference in Israel in June, citing his belief that he should respect a Palestinian call to boycott contacts with Israeli academics. The boycott is meant to protest Israel's treatment of Palestinians.

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'Do me a solid'

Rodman to N. Korea: Free jailed American

Former NBA star Dennis Rodman is tapping his friendship with North Korea's Kim Jong Un to ask for the release of a man sentenced to 15 years of hard labour. "I'm calling on the Supreme Leader of North Korea or as I call him 'Kim,' to do me a solid and cut Kenneth Bae loose," he tweeted. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bunga-bunga case

On Monday, the sex-for-hire trial will resume. Berlusconi faces charges he paid for sex with an underage teen and then tried to cover it up.

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31 arrested over Brussels Airport diamond heist

Authorities strike.

In Switzerland, police have found diamonds from the robbery, while cash and luxury cars turn up in Belgium

Unlike the brilliant thieves in Ocean's Eleven, it appears that those behind the clockwork-precision, \$50 million diamond heist at Brussels Airport may not get a Hollywood ending.

After three months of virtual silence on the matter, authorities struck this week, detaining at least 31 people in a three-nation sweep and recovering so many diamonds from the loot Antwerp



Prosecution spokesperson Jean-Marc Meilleur speaks with media.
YVES LOGGHE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

traders lost that they are still figuring out the exact value.

Officials said that among

the people held in Belgium, France and Switzerland on Tuesday and Wednesday are some with violent criminal pasts; the one person held in France is believed to have been one of the robbers at the airport. The evidence seized includes large sums of cash, precious stones and luxury cars.

"It was a total surprise for us," said Caroline De Wolf of the Antwerp World Diamond Center, whose traders lost millions in the Feb. 18 heist. "But we were delighted when we heard."

Six to eight people were detained in Geneva, and 24 in and around Brussels. The most important discovery was in Geneva of stones that could immediately be linked to theft. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Colorado. Accused in movie theatre shooting wants to change his plea

The trial of the former graduate student charged in the deadly Colorado movie theatre shootings will likely be delayed weeks or months because he wants to change his plea to not guilty by reason of insanity.

The judge in the case will hear arguments about the request Monday. If the judge accepts the plea, James Holmes would be sent to a mental

hospital where doctors would determine whether he was sane at the time. If he's found to be insane, a jury still could find him guilty.

Holmes, 25, is charged with more than 160 counts of murder and attempted murder — 12 people were killed and 70 injured in the shootings. Prosecutors have said they will seek the death penalty.

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James Holmes and his attorney Tamara Brady in March. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Brazil

Pastor in Rio suburb detained, accused of raping six women

Police in Brazil say they've detained an Evangelical pastor accused of raping six women, including three minors.

Officer Marcio Mendonca Dugubras says Marcos Pereira of the Assembly of God of the Latter Days church was detained late Tuesday in the Rio de Janeiro suburb of Sao Joao de Meriti.

He says Pereira is suspected in six rapes.

Rio's O Globo newspaper reports that one of the alleged victims said she was raped by Pereira from the age of 14 to 22.

Phone calls to the church were not answered, but it posted a statement on its website saying it is "confident in the actions of God in the life of Marcos Pereira." It adds: "The Bible teaches that there is no evangelism without persecution."

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5 TAILS, ONE STORY

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To be wed on Colorado shooting 1st anniversary

This undated photo shows Eugene Han and Kirstin Davis who survived the theatre shootings last July 20. Han and Davis have decided to get married and have scheduled their wedding for the first anniversary of the tragedy to make it a happier day. Han was shot in the hip and knee and Davis says she suffered minor scratches in the assault on a packed movie theatre. **KMGH-TV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

A day at the office: Eat, swim, patrol the beaches

Tough assignments. Eight Canadians make shortlist for Tourism Australia's Best Jobs in the World competition

Mary Gazze of Toronto is going to eat her way around Australia, if she gets the job as Taste Master. Greg Snell of Oshawa, Ont. will swim with Australia's dolphins, if he gets the job as Wildlife Caretaker.

Drew Sellen of Pickering, Ont. will patrol Australia's beaches and check the water temperature if he gets the job as Park Ranger. However, he has a competitor in Margi Shah of Mississauga, Ont.

They are among the eight Canadians on the 150-person shortlist for Tourism Aus-



Mary Gazze of Toronto has made the shortlist in the Taste Master category of Travel Australia's Best Jobs in the World competition. FACEBOOK

tralia's Best Jobs in the World Competition. Other Canadians on the shortlist hail from Montreal and British Columbia.

The successful job applicants will start their six-month contract positions on Aug. 1.

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Floating flip-flops find fulfillment

Carver Jackson Mbatha, 40, poses next to a large toy giraffe he is making from pieces of discarded flip-flops, in front of a painted workshop wall at the Ocean Sole flip-flop recycling company in Nairobi, Kenya. The company is cleaning the East African country's beaches of used, washed-up flip-flops and now, the dirty pieces of rubber that were once cruising the Indian Ocean's currents are being turned into colourful handmade giraffes, elephants and other toy animals. About 45 workers in Nairobi make 100 different products from the discarded flip-flops. BEN CURTIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

\$30-million effort

Feds create team to chase tax cheats

The Conservatives are beefing up the tools used to go after tax cheats in the hopes of recovering billions in lost revenue. A team of six to 10 bureaucrats will be assigned to work only on pinpointing tax evaders and their efforts will be backed by \$30 million over the next five years for new technol-

ogy and other tools required for the hunt.

"Anyone trying to hide large sums of money offshore should know this — they should declare all their assets now before the agency comes after them," Revenue Minister Gail Shea said Wednesday. A House of Commons report has suggested "taxpayer morale" was at risk if the government didn't tell people it was working to improve the system. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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A DASH OF OPTIMISM FOR PARENTS

I don't know any bad parents.

I just realized this recently and it came as a total shock, similar to when I suddenly grasped, in a moment of clarity, that Murdock on The A-Team is Barclay on Star Trek: The Next Generation.

I know of bad parents, sure. I hear stories about friends of friends who approached parenting the same way some people approach marriage, as a chore they felt obliged to do, like dishes.

And the media is full of stories about parents who are too strict or too lax. Parents who ride their kids for good grades, or who could ride their kids to safety if necessary because their children are so fat.

Maybe the fact that the criticisms are all over the map should have tipped me off that bad parents are the outliers, not the trend.

My brother and sister-in-law have six kids (it's a church



HE SAYS

John Mazerolle

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thing), each more well behaved and well adjusted than the last. The sort of kids that cause elderly people at restaurants to warily ask, "What's the secret?" as if my brother is raising aliens, or The Stepford Children.

I'm good friends with a nine-year-old named Dash, who is perhaps the best kid I know. Besides playing hockey and tennis as well as I do, he also plays instruments including piano and the mandolin better than I do (that is to say, he plays them at all). Recently we were hanging out and I asked him if he'd seen any good movies lately.

"Life of Pi was excellent," he said.

I blinked.

"Did you read the book?"

"Not yet," he said.

Then he lit up a cigar and we discussed stock options.

I made that last sentence up, but you get my point. And I can think of at least a half-dozen kids that, if not quite so erudite as

Dash, seem as bright and balanced as any adults I know — probably more so.

My little slice of life is hardly a scientific sample, but I suspect all the hand-wringing over the state of parenting is similar to worrying about "today's youth." People are convinced each is getting worse every generation, when things are largely the same as previous generations and in some ways better.

We like the idea that there was a Golden Age of parenting and that things would be better if we could just get back to it somehow. They never show the scene on Father Knows Best where he lashes his son with a belt for getting home late, or tells his daughters that homosexuality is an abomination before God. Or if they do, it's only on the DVD extras.

I hope to raise a child some day, though before I get to the Miracle of Life I have to get to the Miracle of Having a Steady Girlfriend. When I finally get to deal with all the anxiety and exhaustion that comes with being a dad, it'll be nice to know I'll have some role models to live up to and lean on.

And if all the great parents I'm friends with can't help, maybe Dash can. He knows best.

ZOOM

My way is the high way



HAP/QUIRKY CHINA NEWS/REX FEATURES

And you thought your commute was bad

Few journeys to school are enjoyable, but what the kids of south China's Zhangjiawan village put up with is terrifying. Students must scale a 60-metre cliff using unsecured wooden ladders, or, endure the alternative, which is a five-hour hike.

The local government has now promised to build concrete steps, which should make the trip a little easier.

The village is located on a remote mountain called The Gate of Heaven in China's Hunan province. The nearest town is 35 kilometres away, and to get there, residents have to endure 90 degree cliffs, seen here. **METRO**

Worse than two feet of snow

"For generations, the villagers used this path to go into town to go to school. But now, some of the richer families rent an apartment in town so their child can go to school."

Resident Yang Junxiang

Heigh-ho, heigh-ho

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The population of Zhangjiawan has quickly declined below 100 from a previous level of 400. The village had originally been created hundreds of years ago as an escape from bandits, but the appeal of isolation seems to have diminished. The village is so self-sufficient that very few outsiders need to enter. The residents are able to generate income using the area's natural resources by way of bee keeping, hunting and growing leaves used for sticky dumplings.

Other scary commutes

- **Yungas Road (Bolivia).** Around 300 travellers are killed each year on this road leading from La Paz to the Amazon.
- **Lowari Pass (Pakistan).** A busy trucking route 3,000 metres up that is vulnerable to avalanches and storms.
- **Batlava Lake (Kosovo).** Kids cross an ice lake to get to school.
- **Hussaini Bridge (Pakistan).** The Hussaini village is located on both sides of the Hunza River, and to get to the other side, villagers use a bridge made from wooden planks held together by twine. Floodwaters submerged it in 2010, but it has since been rebuilt.

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With news this week that Adobe will switch to a new, subscription-based payment plan, Photoshop users may be rethinking their Adobe allegiance. If the move has you thinking about editing your photo software, you might want to shop around and test out some of these free photo-editing sites.

Gimp

User-friendly and surprisingly full featured, Gimp is the go-to Photoshop alternative. Besides being reliable for your photo fixes, it has the added bonus of running on Linux.

Paint.Net

Despite the name, which sounds like a program that belongs on a Commodore 64, Paint offers advanced features without being overly complicated.



IrfanView

Simple and intuitive, Irfan is great for light edits, photo viewing and adding simple effects.

PicMonkey

If 'cute' is a prerequisite for your editing software, PicMonkey's your site. Extremely easy to use, it lets you do basic fixes and one-click touch ups (and gives you the option to upgrade for more ways to 'cuten' up your selfies).

Comments

RE: Stag And Doe? Don't Ask Me To Pay For Your Wedding,
published May 7

I'm kind of guessing that you've never attended a proper Manitoba social. They're so ingrained into the culture of our province that usually one of the first questions asked of a newly engaged couple is, "When's your social?"

A big chunk of the costs for the social are usually put up by the couple themselves — the hall, the food, the booze — and they're the front runners on organizing social prizes and donations. What gets charged for beverages is nowhere

near what you'd have to be paying at a bar. The only way you'd get cheaper booze is buying it yourself and drinking it in your backyard. Socials are also a great way to celebrate with people that you may not be inviting to your wedding. Some co-workers, acquaintances, family friends — people that you're friendly with but you don't know well enough to invite to the ceremony and reception.

Socials are crazy fun. You heckle the couple when they're pulling tickets for the prizes. You buy them drinks. Everyone (who's left) bounces around like a fool at the end of the night to Spirit of the West's Home for a Rest.

Amanda posted to metronews.ca

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Myles finds his Inner Ninja

Breakthrough song. Halifax's David Myles never thought his Juno win would be for a rap recording



BACKSTAGE PASS
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Having spent the majority of his career crooning around rural Canada, Fredericton native-turned-Halifax resident David Myles could have never imagined that the first Juno win he'd be associated with would be for rap recording of the year.

During what can be described as a whirlwind-weekend at the Junos this past month, Myles' career took a giant leap into the national spotlight.

Speaking to him less than a month after his song, Inner Ninja, won a Juno, it was apparent that Myles was still flying high.

"We (Myles and Luke Boyd) won the award (on Saturday), but I almost didn't let myself celebrate because we still had Sunday ahead of us with the show, which was another major career step for me," he said.

Myles' career began in 2005 with Together and Alone, but it wasn't until Myles collaborated with Classified (Boyd) for The Day

All the details

- **What.** David Myles, In the Nighttime
- **Where.** Rebecca Cohn Auditorium
- **When.** Thursday, 8 p.m.
- **Tickets.** \$26.50 (advance): \$31.50 (door)

Doesn't Die from Class's 2011 album Handshakes and Middle Fingers that Myles heard his music enter into another world.

"It was a surprising combination that we thought was great," he said.

"I love working with Luke and his energy. There's something about beats and that world that gives my music this amazing energy that I haven't experienced before — he's able to get at the core of my songs."

Convinced that their collaboration was more than a studio one-night stand, Myles and Class took their relationship to the next level.

"We were curious about what would happen if we spent a few weeks hammering out material because it was important to me to not just do a one off — to see what we could do to adapt my material into his world."

And after their efforts birthed a Juno with Inner Ninja, "I don't think we'll stop."



David Myles is ready to rock the clubs with Classified. SUPPLIED

Just a taste of things to come, Inner Ninja represents "Side B" of Myles' new album, In the Nighttime, available on May 14.

Fear not Myles maniacs;

"Side A" stays true to his world.

"That side of my world will always exist — doing theatre shows, like the one we are doing at the Cohn, that's where

I'm really comfortable," he said.

"I'd never thought I'd be that comfortable rocking clubs with Classified, but I gotta say, that's pretty fun too."

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Life isn't so simple out on the farm

New Movie. At *Any Price* explores a new take on a familiar theme — the American dream and its repercussions

The crumbling American dream is rooted deeply in father-son dysfunction in the farming drama *At Any Price*, an ambitious look at the impact of big agribusiness on an Iowa family.

On the surface, nothing could seem more wholesome than the thriving Whipple family. Led by fourth-generation farmer and seed salesman Henry Whipple, the picture-perfect clan is the very model of bliss, complete with a globe-trotting football star son and a budding Don Juan second son, who also happens to be a local race car champ.

However, neither boy wants anything to do with their huckster father, let alone the farm, leaving Henry increasingly desperate to expand the business while his more successful rival,



At *Any Price* is drawing comparisons to another woeful drama — *Death of a Salesman*. HANDOUT

played by Clancy Brown, threatens to undo hard-won sales.

Vegas star Dennis Quaid said he immediately saw paral-

lels to Arthur Miller's *Death of a Salesman* and set about tackling the woe-begotten Henry as the rural incarnation of Willy

Loman.

"This was really, in so many ways, Willy Loman on a farm," Quaid said during a round of

Quote

"He has this idea of the American dream and he has a lot of bluster and he has these values and principles that bump up against reality."

Dennis Quaid
Talking about how *At Any Price* has parallels to *Death of a Salesman*.

interviews at last September's Toronto International Film Festival.

"He has this idea of the American dream and he has a lot of bluster and he has these values and principles that bump up against reality."

There's an anger seething just below the surface, he noted, with Henry's stubborn blindness to reality manifesting in a mincing smile and nervous jitter.

The acting choices have earned Quaid raves on the festival circuit, and he said he settled on Henry's physical quirks by parsing out clues from Ramin Bahrani and Hallie New-

ton's script.

"He's always creaky somewhere. There's always some tension going on in his spine," he said of Henry.

"I work sort of outside-in and inside-out at the same time, you know. I like to find a person's walk and he starts to make me feel a certain way inside."

Acclaimed director Bahrani admitted to being nervous the first day of shooting because he had yet to see how Quaid would approach the flawed hero.

"I called one of my friends and mentors, Werner Herzog," recalled Bahrani.

"I said, 'Werner, I'm starting tomorrow and I have no idea what Dennis is going to do. He hasn't shown me anything yet.' And Werner said, 'Don't waste their time. They're professional actors; they know what they're doing.' ... And after the first day of shooting and after I saw how he was going to stand, how he was going to hold his hand and his shoulders and how he was going to do the performance and the dialogue, I said, 'My God, this guy's good.'"

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Kerry Washington. All that waiting is finally paying off for actress

The new film *Peeples* boasts *Scandal* and *Django Unchained* star Kerry Washington as its female lead, something that makes selling the delightful family comedy much easier — but that wasn't the case when the film was made.

"We shot *Peeples* before *Scandal* even existed," Washington explains with a laugh. "I telepathically pulled it out of the sky."

Despite being filmed more than a year ago, *Peeples* is one of those rare Hollywood cases where a delay can be a good thing.

"The movie got made a long time ago and it was testing really well but the studio just wanted to release it later," Washington says.

"There were earlier dates, but it kept getting pushed. It's such a great example of things happening for a reason that you just have to trust because we were sort of frustrated. And now it's almost as though we have this great romantic comedy and we have grown into the actors that could present this comedy. (My *Peeples* co-star) Craig Robinson has five

movies coming out this year — something crazy like that — there's *Scandal* and *Django*. We've grown into being the kind of actors who could present *Peeples* to the world and have it being received and appreciated in a way that we would've wanted it to be. Patience!"

Patience is a concept Washington knows full well, as there have been plenty of instances that felt like career setbacks at the time but turned out to be for the best.

"Twice in my career before *Scandal* I had been cast in pilots where the shows got picked up and I got fired. So they basically recast my character," she remembers. "At the time it felt like, 'OMG! Horrible!'"

"But when I look back, one of the shows in particular, the show got picked up, the actors got put on hold for a year, they couldn't do any other work while the studio was going to figure out what to do with the show. But they released me — they fired me, hired another actress and in the same year I did *Ray*. So if I hadn't been fired I would not have had the opportunity to



Kerry Washington has gotten used to being patient. HANDOUT

do an Oscar-nominated film that really changed my career. So for me it has always been my experience — even in the moment I don't understand why this is a part of my journey, eventually I will."

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Hip Hop may be in need of a checkup

Healthy change. The early live-fast, die-young image of the genre is waning as its stars of old smarten up and speak out

The culture that in the 1990s lost its brightest stars to gun violence has in recent years seen a series of notable rappers die of drug and health-related causes. Since 2011, hip-hop pioneer Heavy D, singer and rap chorus specialist Nate Dogg and New York rapper Tim Dog all died of ailments in their 40s. Kriss Kross rapper Chris Kelly was found dead last week in Atlanta of a suspected drug overdose at 34.

Some of the genre's elder statesmen say they're worried about the culture's focus on youth, current emphasis on freewheeling partying and "you only live once" ethos, as popularized by Drake's 2011 hit *The Motto*.

"Hip-hop being a lifestyle culture ... a part of American culture, you have to be mindful that somebody is going to grow old, age," said rap pioneer Melle Mel. "At some point somebody has to realize that hip-hop has to learn how to grow up. It's way too juvenile and it's been that way for too long."

The 51-year-old rapper, who memorably warned in 1982's *The Message* about urban youth who "lived so fast and died so young," said he suffers chronic bronchitis from being around marijuana and cigarette smoke when he was performing. Of course, heavy drug use in hip-hop or rock is hardly new: Cowboy of his Furious Five group died in 1989 "basically from getting high," Melle Mel said.

"It's not really worth it to literally party yourself to death. It's like committing suicide," he added. "You have to choose between what makes you feel good and what makes you think you feel good."

Other influential rappers who've died in their 30s in the



Chris Kelly of Kriss Kross died recently of a suspected drug overdose. ASSOCIATED PRESS

last decade include Southern rap pioneer Pimp C and Wu-Tang Clan's Ol Dirty Bastard, both from drug overdoses.

Lifestyle isn't to blame for all fatal health problems in hip-hop. Smooth-voiced Midwesterner MC Breed died of kidney failure in 2008 at age 37. Soulful producer J Dilla died in 2006 at age 32 of complications from lupus. Cancer killed rappers Guru in 2010 at 48 and Adam Yauch of the Beastie Boys last year at 47. One of the genre's top stars, Lil Wayne, has inadvertently focused attention on the issue. After he was hospitalized for multiple seizures, the 30-year-old rapper told a Los Angeles radio station in March that he's an epileptic.

As some of the genre's more well-known figures hit their late 30s and 40s, they've figured out ways to keep up appearances in public while also keeping their health. 50 Cent said he rarely drinks alcohol anymore. That "bottle full of bub" he's holding in nightclubs nowadays isn't what you think.

"I want to live a good long healthy life. So I'm health-conscious," the 37-year-old rapper-actor said. "You never see me drink. If you did see me with a bottle, it had ginger ale in it."

Though he's still a heavy marijuana smoker, Snoop Dogg said he stopped drinking alcohol at clubs six years ago after suspecting that a woman put the sedative Rohypnol — widely known as a "date-rape drug" — in one of his drinks.

"I used to drink alcohol as a

fashion statement. If you in the club, they bringing you bottles and you're just drinking. I don't do that anymore. I drink water or cranberry juice," he said. "I'm not cheap. I just want to survive." Snoop, 41, said his focus on health comes from his desire to remain competitive and relevant to a genre that's largely focused on youth.

"Because when we perform, we don't have as much energy," he said. "So now we've got to get up and work out, do push-ups or jumping jacks, or whatever we've got to do to keep ourselves looking good and feeling good. Because one thing about an old man — he don't ever want to feel like he old."

For producer and rapper RZA, hip-hop's emphasis on youth stems from an urban culture that since the '80s has had trouble planning for the future.

"They said we should be dead or in jail by the age of 25. And I think we live like that," the 43-year-old Wu-Tang Clan founder said. "But what happens when you make it past 25? What happens when you make it to 40? Are you prepared for life now?"

"Think of the great artists like Biggie Smalls and Tupac, who made some of the greatest hip-hop music of all time. But they didn't make it past 25," he said. "They didn't even become a man. ODB was just becoming a man. What I want to tell the hip-hop generation out there is that there's a chance you're going to become a man. Be prepared." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Death by hip hop

"It's not really worth it to literally party yourself to death. It's like committing suicide."

Rapper Melle Mel

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Iggy's bubble just refuses to Pop

Ready To Die.

Determined, durable rocker's new album with The Stooges proves age is no obstacle to all involved

When Iggy & the Stooges broke up in 1974, almost no one who'd heard of the band had actually heard it.

More than 40 years later, Iggy Pop's band has a new album, *Ready to Die*, a place in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and growing reverence for its place in music history. It's one of rock's stranger success stories, but what do you expect when it comes to Iggy Pop and the proto-punk band everybody used to hate, but really loved?

"It's true. It's a funny arc with us," Pop said in a phone interview last week. "That is the way it is, actually, in all the various numerical yardsticks of all this crud — it's bigger than it was. We have the advantage that it was so tiny when we started. It was really, really

tiny in numerical scope, but it's grown and all those old records still sell really nice and steadily, and they're heavily licensed. People get to hear them at sports events and on movies and in adverts."

When historians and critics sort through the band's legacy, Pop notes, they always point out the Stooges' initial commercial failure: "But I always felt I was never making them for a quick buck. I was always making them forever."

The Michigan-based Stooges broke up in 1974 after dropping a pair of influential albums, *Fun House* and *Raw Power*. The group with Mike Watt on bass reformed in 2003 and guitarist James Williamson rejoined the band in 2009 after guitarist-bassist Ron Asheton passed away. The 66-year-old Pop spoke about getting better with age and the possibility of more Stooges to come.

What do you think accounts for the band's continuing growth in popularity?

It got more to the general public maybe somewhere in the mid-'90s. It just got to be

everybody was ready to go, "Oooh, OK." I think part of that is there were fewer and fewer people doing sort of quote-unquote rock 'n' roll. It's become less and less available on a daily basis.

Your guitarist James Williamson returned to the band after a long break from music. Did he struggle to get back up to speed?

There are little nuances that I hear of things that he can do that he couldn't do a year ago or two years ago. That's interesting. Ultimately in a group of this vintage, there are certain things that you can't do quite as much of that you could do when you're in your 20s. If you've got soul and know how to marshal your intelligence, you can more than make up for that by the depth you can bring and the intelligent decisions you can make as a musician when you're in your 60s and I'd say that's kind of what he does.

The experts say your ability to pick things up slows down as you age. Do you agree?

No, that's a lot of cold s—. In



Iggy Pop and Michigan outfit The Stooges just keep going and are now on their rock victory lap. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

fact, playing an instrument really well is almost a detriment to playing music if you want to play it for your own pleasure or play it as an author, as originator. ... If you read *Bound for Glory* by Woody Guthrie, the first chapter it starts out he's hoboing on a

train, and he's using his guitar to shelter him from the rain, he's getting into fights with it. It doesn't even have a guitar case. And everybody knows Woody Guthrie couldn't play but three chords. I guarantee you, you could start in your 50s and learn how to play guitar

like Woody Guthrie really quickly. He pulled music out of his box. That's what it's about really, pulling music out of your box.

You had a reputation for high-energy shows during the first go-round with the Stooges. Is it more difficult to perform to that standard now?

My personal ability to project physical energy probably didn't peak until only about six years ago, seven years ago. It was in my mid to late 50s and that's because when I was younger I didn't work at it at all.

Do you think there will be more Stooges music down the road?

You know, that's a good question. By the time I got done with this one, I been in the mood like, "Oh, f—, am I glad that's over with. Let's get this thing out." But that's also the tension of a modern marketing plan. They start rattling my cage and hassling me like two months before the thing comes out. ... So right now I think there's a very good chance we could.

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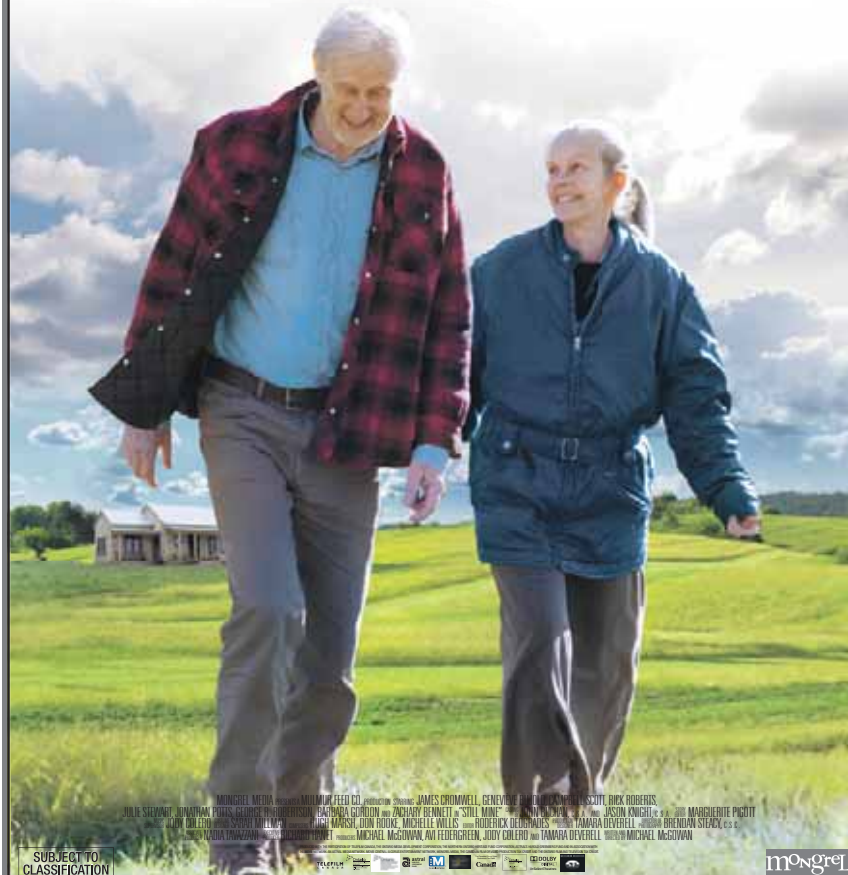
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Humble Edgerton finds his inner cad



Australian Joel Edgerton, left, plays the racist, selfish philanderer Tom Buchanan. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Great Gatsby.

Director Baz Luhrmann gave actor used to good-guy parts the confidence to take on bad-boy Buchanan role

MATTHEW PRIGGE

Metro World News in New York

Joel Edgerton is in his underwear. His schedule is so packed he has to do one of his interviews while being fitted for a tuxedo, which he will wear to the Cannes screening of his new film, Baz Luhrmann's pricey 3D version of *The Great Gatsby*.

“One day he’s going to see me without my pants on in a movie, if he hasn’t already,” Edgerton cracks. So while the Aussie actor — best known for his roles in *Animal Kingdom*, *Warrior*, and *Zero Dark Thirty* — is in various states of undress, we get to talking about his performance as Tom Buchanan, the most hissable richie of F. Scott Fitzgerald’s tome. **You just saw the movie last night. What was that experience like?**

It’s hard to tell whether you like a movie when you see it for the first time, just because you’re in it. You’re judging your own performance most of the time. Or I do, anyway. Like, “Oh f—, he used that piece instead of the other piece.” Or I think I did something too big

or too small. It’s all negative. It was great for a movie like *Animal Kingdom*, because once my character is killed (very early in the movie), then I could just enjoy the rest of the film. Like, “Thank God I was shot.” My brother was in *Zero Dark Thirty* as well. We both came out with the same experience, saying, “That movie was awesome until we arrived.”

Baz Luhrmann has a strong visual style. How is he with actors?

Baz makes you feel valued in the process. If he wanted to change anything on a given day, he’d go to each of our trailers for one-on-one meetings. Few other directors would do that. I’m sure it wasted a bit of time in the morning. Actors love working with him, and they told me Baz will make you look great. He’ll make sure you come off well visually.

When you were first pitched a version of *Gatsby* with 3D and Baz’s time warp style, what were your thoughts?

I didn’t imagine words popping out of the screen and the rapid editing style. But I’ve seen his other movies. I didn’t know why I expected anything more subdued. But so many things are being made in 3D, and the idea of a drama in 3D is really cool. And Baz is constantly drawing from the themes of tragic love, so for both his visual style and his thematic leanings, he’s the perfect guy to make this story.

You play a lot of nice guys.

What was it like playing a cad like Tom?

I never thought I could be Tom Buchanan. When I was younger I thought I could do anything. I thought I could play a girl. Young actors are pretty stubborn about casting. Then when I got behind the camera to make our own movies and we went through casting processes, I realized not everyone can do what we needed. And I chilled on the idea of people who wouldn’t cast me in certain roles. Baz put the fire back under me. I shouldn’t have been Tom Buchanan. I’m not that guy. But his excitement in seeing that side of me got me to do it.

How do you play a character who’s so often indefensible?

Tom is a pig. He’s very arrogant and racist and selfish and misogynist and a philanderer. He’s kind of honest about it as well. Tom was one of the first football players at Yale, and Yale football players were the first sports heroes for American kids. Everyone would have known about him. Now he’s retired, he’s got all the money in the world. I just imagined Tom was really bored, and unhappy. And then when *Gatsby* comes in and tries to take his wife away, it brings the sport back into his life. He may not love Daisy, and he’d rather just go around and have affairs. But if another man comes in to take your possessions, he’s gonna fight. He’s not used to losing.

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'Overwrought, asinine, exaggerated and boring': Ouch!

The reviews are trickling in for one of the most buzzed about movies of the year and they are far from "Great." Alas, it doesn't seem like reviewers are keen on Baz Luhrmann's *The Great Gatsby*, which opens this Friday.

One said it's as "boring as sitting through 8th period English" and another went as far as calling it "overwrought, asinine, exaggerated and bor-

ing ... about as romantic as a pet rock."

Even *The New Yorker* didn't let it down easy, saying that Luhrmann is "less a filmmaker than a music video director with endless resources and a stunning absence of taste."

Who cares? It's in 3D, has a soundtrack produced by Jay-Z and it looks like glitter threw up all over it! Give it to me now!

Madonna's still got it

Madonna will be honoured as 2012's top touring artist at the Billboard Music Awards. The 54-year-old's MDNA tour roped in \$305 million at her 88 sold-out shows, with 2.2 million people attending.

Prince, Taylor Swift and Lil Wayne are set to perform at the May 19th ceremony

with Nicki Minaj, Bruno Mars, Miguel, Justin Bieber, Pitbull, Christina Aguilera, Selena Gomez, Macklemore & Ryan Lewis, Chris Brown, Ed Sheeran, Akon, Ne-Yo, and David Guetta in attendance.

So, yeah, \$305 million. We can cut out all of the "old" jokes we throw her way.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Britney back with bitching bod (again)



THE WORD
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It looks like Britney Spears is heading to Las Vegas for a residency this fall, à la Celine Dion. And she talked to Shape about how she's gearing up for it.

"I'm doing 90 minutes of yoga twice a week in addition to a lot of cardio — hour-long sessions three times a week with my trainer, Tony Martinez," she tells Shape. "The [Vegas] performances won't be simple — they'll be a massive party from start to finish. And to pull this off, I have to be in top condition and running at full speed." (Translation: No more Cheetos.)

She also is apparently paid by Nutrisystem to shill their diet system in interviews. She tells Shape that she's on the program (that's the shake for breakfast and lunch and a "sensible" dinner for those of you keeping track at home).

I think what is remarkable about this cover isn't her toned body — or the amazing Photoshop job



from the art director — but that she still rocks a belly button ring. And a very glittery one at that. What is this, 1996?



Rihanna gets cheers and jeers on tour.

Rihanna booed in Boston, cheered on in Brooklyn

Rihanna was booed for turning up late at a concert in Boston, but the audience in New York cheered her on even though she didn't start on time the following night.

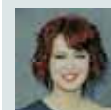
Boston.com reported that fans at the TD Garden on Monday booed the singer for starting her concert at 10:30

p.m. instead of her scheduled 9 p.m., and without opening act ASAP Rocky. Doors had opened at 7:30 p.m.

A representative for Rihanna didn't respond to an email about the singer's lateness.

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The most stylish movies of all time

Not since Carrie Bradshaw hauled her collection of Manolos onto the big screen has a film's wardrobe received as much hype as Daisy Buchanan's Prada-designed dresses and Jay Gatsby's Brooks Brothers suits have. So as *The Great Gatsby* finally hits theatres, we're revisiting our favourite fashion movies of all time — because the runways might give birth to the trends, but it's the movies that determine which ones will become iconic.

SARA CARLSSON
Metro World News

Grey Gardens

Grey Gardens is not so much a documentary about two recluses related to Jackie O as a 100-minute trend machine. Little Edie's head scarves, Big Edie's sorbet coloured house coats, the long furs, the wacky layering, the wild print-mixing: it's all in style right now. And these women — not Anna Wintour — created the look.



La Dolce Vita

The godmother of fashion cinema, Federico Fellini claimed that his inspiration for the film came from a Balenciaga dress.

Sex and the City

Inarguably the biggest of fashion films, it was as influential as the TV show, reinforcing our love of Manolo Blahnik and turning Vivienne Westwood into the new Vera Wang.



Rear Window

It's hard to overstate Alfred Hitchcock's influence on fashion. Alexander McQueen once famously built a collection around his movies. And you see hints of Grace Kelly's Edith Head-designed costumes in the earlier seasons of *Mad Men*. In *Rear Window*, Grace Kelly only wears five outfits, each one memorable and relentlessly copied.



Funny Face

"Take the picture!" Hubert de Givenchy and Audrey Hepburn sealed their relationship as one of the movie world's greatest duos with a single scene: Audrey running down a staircase in the Louvre, her red sash floating above her, mimicking Winged Victory. Givenchy created costumes for four of Hepburn's movies, all of which we were tempted to put on this list.



Mahogany

"I'm a winner baby!" This movie was an opportunity for Diana Ross to be her fabulous self, in one fabulous outfit after another. Our favourite is the suitably glitzy Cleopatra look above.



Bonnie and Clyde

Faye Dunaway's mid-length skirt suits, knit tops, berets and silk scarves are iconic, making this the second most referenced movie in fashion history.

Breakfast at Tiffany's

Coco Chanel is credited with creating the Little Black Dress, but Audrey Hepburn popularized it. The satin Givenchy sheath she wore as Holly Golightly was undisputedly the most famous LBD of all time.



The Royal Tenenbaums

Wes Anderson has a clear and unique style that reveals itself in everything, from his choice in typeface to his set design. The wardrobe is just an extension of this and yet it takes on a life of its own. Think Steve Zissou's red beanie or, more memorably, Margo Tenenbaum's Grey Gardens-y fur.

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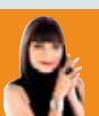
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Busting myths

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When it comes to energy use, there are a lot of myths out there. For example, one myth has to do with how it is more efficient to leave lights on rather than turning them off because the process of flicking the switch uses more energy.

"People think it costs so

much more to start up a light bulb," says Nicole Cadek, a product support manager with Nova Scotia Power (NSP).

The reality is it's more efficient just to turn the lights off when a room is not being used. This is especially true given that when people leave a room, they can get side-tracked.

"You might think you'll come back to the room in a minute, but you (can) get

caught up doing something in the kitchen or in the living room," Cadek says.

Interestingly, NSP has a page on its website (bit.ly/160de1l) devoted to providing energy-saving tips and busting 10 different energy myths.

Myth No. 9 deals with boiling water on the stove — will it boil faster by leaving the

setting on high? The truth is, leaving the setting on high won't boil the water any faster. NSP advises that once the water is brought to a boil, people turn the heat down and maintain the boil by covering the pot.

On the topic of food preparation, Cadek has another suggestion for reducing energy use. She rec-

ommends people using the oven turn it off a few minutes before the food is ready and then allow the existing heat in the oven to do the rest of the cooking.

As well, try to minimize the number of times you open the oven door. "Opening up the oven door can release about 25 to 50 degrees (of heat)," Cadek says.

With summer approaching, myth No. 5 is particularly relevant. It holds that leaving a fan on will cool a room, even if you aren't there.

"Fans work by cooling the skin, not the air in a room," says NSP's website. "Fans move the air, which helps to evaporate moisture on the surface of the skin, making you feel cooler."



You can conserve energy by minimizing the number of times you open the oven door. ISTOCKPHOTO/THINKSTOCK

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Let the sun shine in

Solar energy. The process of building an energy-efficient home begins with the design

RICHARD WOODBURY
For Metro

With the increased emphasis being placed on the environment in today's society, this means people are thinking about even more things when building a home. It all begs the question — how does one go about building an energy-efficient home?

Thankfully, there is a program that helps make the process easier.

It's called the EnerGuide for New Houses (EGNH) program and works by pairing people up with trained energy advisers who will provide a step-by-step guide explaining what energy-efficient designs and upgrades they can incorporate into their home.

"What this evaluation ...

will give you (are) the options of where you want to go," says Paul Pettipas, the CEO of the Nova Scotia Home Builders' Association (NSHBA).

He says there are many benefits to participating in the program, including that you "get greater energy efficiency, greater savings for the energy you use, plus the possibility of getting some pretty good grants."

Participating in EGNH in Nova Scotia can be done through NSHBA, as well as companies such as Sustainable Housing and AmeriSpec.

The cost for participating in the program is \$300, plus HST. The actual price is double that, but Efficiency Nova Scotia picks up half the tab.

The process of building an energy-efficient home begins with a simple design, says

Evan Muirhead, a technical adviser in the new homes department with Sustainable Housing.

This can be a tricky message to get across given that people often build big, sprawling homes these days.

"We like to advise people that while that may be aesthetically pleasing, it's not energy efficient," Muirhead says.

"A nice simple shape, nice box, four corners, less intersections, that's where you want to start."

A home should also be oriented to take advantage of as much solar gain as possible since that is the cheapest heating source.

People will want to have the living room and kitchen facing south, while the bedrooms should be on the north side of the home. From there, people will want to focus on upgrading the insulation.

"That reduces the amount of heat you will need to heat the home," Muirhead says.

Heating. Reduce your carbon footprint with the right option

With Nova Scotia's winters, people's heating systems get a good workout. For that reason, people will want to give careful thought to what kind of heating system they have in their home.

"The best option from a carbon footprint (standpoint) would be natural gas," says George Hill, the owner of Ultimate Home Comfort, a hearth dealer and propane provider.

This is because natural gas is a much cleaner source of energy than fuels such as coal and oil. As well, because natural gas users would be connected to a natural gas line, this eliminates the need to have a fuel source transported to their home on a regular basis, which is the case with oil and propane.

However, if people aren't located where natural gas hookups are present, they won't be able to install a natural gas system. Propane is another option. While it is clean burning (just like natural gas), it is less attractive from a cost standpoint.



Give careful thought to what kind of heating system you have in your home. GETTY IMAGES/PHOTODISC/THINKSTOCK

"The efficiency is the same, but ... natural gas is about half the price of propane," Hill says.

Electric baseboard heating systems are another common option.

"In newly constructed structures or buildings, electric baseboards usually have a lower initial cost than other systems, but operating costs

can be high," cautions Natural Resources Canada's website.

As well, because close to 60 per cent of the electricity generated in Nova Scotia is derived from coal and petroleum coke, this means electric baseboard heat is not very good for the environment.

Burning wood or wood pellets is a better option because the carbon dioxide that gets burned is then consumed by trees, which are then cut down for use in burning more wood or pellets — and the cycle then perpetuates itself.

While also cost-effective, this process is more labour intensive for the homeowner since they have to tend to the fire quite frequently.

One other efficient heating option is a heat pump. However, Hill cautions they will struggle during the coldest months of the year, January and February, and this may necessitate having a backup heating system in place to complement it.

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A desire for cleaner energy

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Currently in Nova Scotia, close to 60 per cent of our electricity is derived from coal and petroleum coke, while almost 20 per cent comes from renewable sources. The desire for cleaner energy is one that is motivating people to install systems to generate electricity to provide for their own needs.

Experts say anybody heading down this path must evaluate their current electricity use.

"Anybody that's considering generating their own electricity, the first and most important step is to reduce your demand," says Keith Robertson, the founder and principal of Solterre Design, an architectural firm in Halifax.

Ways of doing this include

reducing the use of energy-intensive devices such as electric stoves, electric clothes dryers and hair dryers.

By minimizing one's energy use, it will help ensure the renewable energy system they install is not as elaborate (and, therefore, not as costly).

People essentially have two options when it comes to generating their own electricity, one of which is the net metering system. Under this system, people tie into Nova Scotia Power's (NSP) grid system and if they produce more electricity than they consume, the excess power "is delivered to the grid and the customer receives an energy credit that can be applied against future usage," says NSP's website.

To achieve this, people could use photovoltaic panels (which are usually mounted

on a home's roof) or a wind turbine.

"That's really where most people want to go," says Sandy Hines, the owner of SHINES Renewable Energy.

Because the system ties into NSP's grid and uses it as a backup option, if necessary, the system doesn't have to be as elaborate.

However, to achieve true energy independence by going off grid, this kind of system requires more equipment.

"There are a few pieces of gear that are required in addition to panels if you are trying to be off grid," Robertson says.

Some of this equipment includes batteries, charge controllers and power inverters. Besides being more expensive, one of the downsides to this system is you can't do anything with any excess power you generate.

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Colour psychology

Resale. Colours with personality boost chance to close a deal

If you want to make your home a hot property for resale, warm up to colour. Contrary to popular belief, colours with personality have been shown to be more effective at closing a deal. In fact, soothing shades of green, brown and yellow paint may even help a home sell faster than builder's white or beige.

So say the colour experts at CIL paint, pointing to the power of colour psychology in swaying people's opinions, emotions and behaviour, which, in turn, can determine how quickly a home sells.

"First impressions are everything when selling your home, and paint is the easiest and least expensive way to create an appealing atmosphere for potential buyers," said Alison Goldman, brand manager for AkzoNobel, makers of CIL paint. "The more attractive and



The power of colour psychology can sway people's opinions.
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comfortable you make your home, the more it will entice prospective buyers to make an offer."

Goldman offers this advice for updating your home for resale:

- Detach from the process. Look at the property from a buyer's perspective. Don't think of it as your house anymore. You are selling a product now.
- Focus on fixtures. Since your

furnishings will be going with you when you move, select a colour scheme best suited to your home's stationary items, such as flooring, cabinetry and countertops. When choosing paint for a living or dining room, for example, hold paint swatches right next to the floor, not only in the middle of the wall, to ensure the tones work well together.

• Play the odds. Select paint colours that are palatable to a broad range of potential buyers. Earth tones that reflect the colours of nature, such as muted shades of green, brown, yellow, blue, red, grey and tan, work best since they create a warm and inviting environment.

• Create interest. Painting a focal wall in a warm colour adds personality to a room and may draw increased interest from prospects. This technique is especially effective in key rooms like the master bedroom and dining area, where a splash of colour can do wonders in adding charm to a space without overwhelming it.

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FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR SAVING ENERGY

Over time, energy efficiency upgrades pay for themselves through lower energy costs. What's more, Efficiency Nova Scotia, an independent, non-profit organization, offers financial incentives for making those upgrades.

One program — the Home Energy Assessment — provides homeowners with rebates for implementing energy efficiency upgrades to their home. Homeowners with electrical heat are eligible for up to \$3,000 in rebates, while those using other heat sources are eligible for up to \$1,500.

The cost of participating in the program is \$200 plus HST; the remaining \$300 is paid for by Efficiency Nova Scotia.

For people about to build a new home, the Performance Plus program offers rebates for building homes more energy efficient than building code requirements. The cost of enrolling in the program is \$300 plus HST; partici-



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pants can qualify for up to \$10,000 in rebates.

Another services offered sees Efficiency Nova Scotia installing energy-efficiency items, such as compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs), electric hot water tank wraps, hot water pipe wraps, and LED night lights at no cost.

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Getting the temperature just right

**RICHARD
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For Metro

People looking to improve the energy efficiency of their home should look at installing setback thermostats. These thermostats allow the user to program the thermostat so it automatically chan-

ges the temperature at different points of the day. This is ideal for when people are at work for the day and don't need the temperature at the same level as when they are at home.

A conventional thermostat only allows you to set the thermostat to one temperature.

Most commonly, setback thermostats are used in the winter to lower the temperature when people are at work and overnight when people are sleeping. However, they can also be used as a set-forward thermostat for an air conditioning system.

"It can allow the house to heat up when it is unoccupied and return it to a comfortable temperature before occupants return from daytime activities," says a setback thermostat page on Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's (CMHC) website.

But by using setback thermostats, just how much money can you save?

That was the topic of a 71-page report published in 2005 by the Canadian Centre for Housing Technology (CCHT).

It found that in the winter, setting back the thermostat during the day and night resulted in heating cost savings of five to 15 per cent.

However, the amount of energy saved will depend on how low the temperature is set back. It's important to



Setback thermostats allow the user to program the thermostat so it automatically changes the temperature at different points of the day. FUSE/THINKSTOCK

note that going too low can create potential moisture problems in the house.

During the summertime, it's also a wise idea to employ a set-forward strategy. CCHT's paper found that on sunny

days, electrical savings of 13 per cent were achieved, while on cloudy days, it was only 2.9 per cent.

While the results were encouraging in CCHT's test homes, the results people

have in their homes will vary. "Savings from thermostat set back and house temperatures will be different for all types of homes and mechanical setups," says a CMHC report on the topic.

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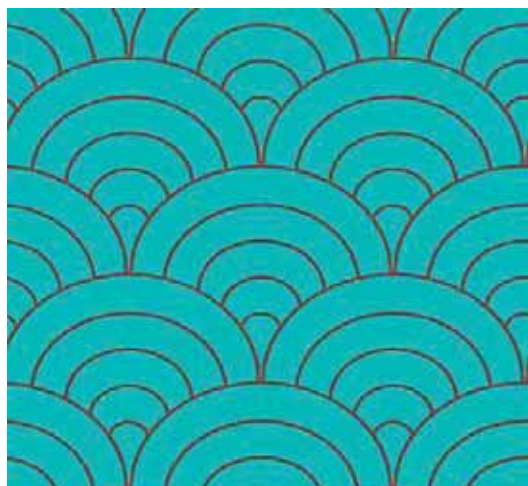


Memoirs Lavatory Faucet

Graphic and masculine taps add strong design lines to a lavatory. Want a truly authentic deco bathroom? Try adding a black toilet and sink to the room. \$630, kohler.ca

Shand Kydd Peacock Modern Spiral Wallpaper

Simple gold fans on turquoise adds a deco feel to the walls. Perfect for adding drama to a small foyer entrance or on the back wall behind a bed. \$76/double roll, sears.ca



Biblioteca Bookcase

The dark walnut stained shelving makes this bookcase a great display piece or bookshelf. It fits into any space and is a personal design favourite as a see-through room divider. \$700, urban-barn.com



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When comparing vehicles, check to make sure they really are similar. On some entry-level vehicles, the base price might not include air conditioning. ISTOCKPHOTO/THINKSTOCK

Go beyond just kicking the tires

Purchase process. You can never do too much when hunting for your perfect vehicle

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Despite how much they cost, vehicles are often impulse purchases. Many people visit showrooms just to kick tires, but fall for something they see. That can sometimes work out, but it's a better plan to research and find exactly the right car for your needs.

Ask friends and family for recommendations, including what they don't like about their vehicles. Don't think something is too minor to consider — that badly placed cupholder could be an issue on every commute.

The Internet is a great resource for car shopping.

Manufacturers' websites (make sure you are on the Canadian versions) will contain specifications about each vehicle, along with photos, lists of standard features and options, and pricing.

When comparing vehicles, check to make sure they really are similar. On some entry-level vehicles, the base price might not include air conditioning. If it can be added, it might make the car more expensive than a competitor with standard air conditioning.

Reviews can help narrow your list of cars to test drive. Some are launches, where writers drive new vehicles for a few hours for initial impressions. Temper these with regular reviews, where



Don't think something is too minor to consider when shopping for a vehicle — that badly placed cupholder could be an issue on every commute. TOP PHOTO GROUP/THINKSTOCK

the writer drives it daily for a week or more for a more rounded assessment.

Now that you have a few models in mind, it's time to test drive. Surprisingly, many

people take a car out for just a quick trip around the block. You are going to be living

with this vehicle for many years, so spend at least an hour or more, including time on the highway.

The car should drive smoothly on city streets and have enough passing power on the highway. Try parking it a few times to see how easily it manoeuvres. Make sure you are comfortable and that you can reach everything. Something that bugs you on the test drive won't get better with time.

Research other factors, too. Check with your insurance company to see what you are going to pay for coverage. If you are tempted by flashy 19- or 20-inch wheels, find out what replacement tires cost. And if it comes down to choosing between models from different companies, how convenient is the dealership to home or work when you need servicing?



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Honda Civic

The practical crossover: Mazda CX-5 (\$22,995)

Mazda has struggled to keep up with demand for its CX-5 crossover since it was introduced a couple of years ago. It's the smallest of its crossovers, which makes it the easiest to drive, not to mention the cheapest. Everything falls easily to hand with the CX-5 and, like any crossover, it lets the driver sit a little higher for a clearer view of a busy road. The interior is well appointed with an exceptionally high-quality fit and finish for a vehicle of this price.

Family hauler: Dodge Grand Caravan (\$19,895)

So you have a family now and public transit is a challenge, especially with strollers, hockey bags and the dog. Or maybe you have moved out to the suburbs and need a vehicle for schlepping everyone around. Sorry, but you just can't beat a minivan.



Mazda CX-5.

Canada's bestselling minivan for the past 28 years is the Dodge Grand Caravan, mostly because it's very practical and it's not expensive.

The fun factor: Mini Cooper (\$23,950)

The basic Mini Cooper is bags of fun to drive without being overly powerful or difficult to manage. Mini is owned by BMW, so they are built to a high quality. The cheapest Mini is less than \$24,000 and although space is limited, it has seating for four and a little trunk in the back. This generation has been around

a few years, so the bugs have been worked out, and there are plenty of variations, all the way up to the 208-horsepower John Cooper Works Convertible.

Luxury choice: Mercedes-Benz B-Class (\$29,900)

If you don't mind paying a little extra for quality and a premium nameplate, the B-Class is the least-expensive Mercedes available and it's a solid buy. It's a hatchback, so it's practical, and it's also a very safe vehicle, especially for inexperienced drivers.



Dodge Caravan



Mini Cooper



Mercedes-Benz B-Class

ABCs of safe driving: Know more than just rules of the road

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When educators mention the ABCs of any discipline being taught, they are usually referring to the absolute basics.

In driver education, there are the basics most people think of, such as the rules of the road, traffic signs and driving on the right side of the road. These make up the bulk of what is taught when we take driving lessons.

I believe the real ABCs of

driving are more comprehensive and quite a bit different than what most motorists — particularly people who have just purchased their first new car — would think.

These ABCs should be taught in every driving course and reviewed throughout everyone's driving career.

A is for attitude: Almost every driver needs to readjust their attitude toward driving. Before we click the remote to unlock the driver's door, each of us should stop, take a deep

breath and realize we are about to operate a two-ton machine of glass, steel and plastic that has the potential to kill, maim, ruin lives and break hearts.

Unfortunately, there are too many motorists who forget that driving requires a high level of responsibility. Being in command of a potentially deadly form of transportation requires we prove our ability through testing, and that when signing on the dotted line, we agree to play by the rules. Without these rules,

motoring mayhem would ensue.

B is for brains: Driving a vehicle requires a certain level of intelligence. After all, our lives are on the line when we are behind the wheel.

We should never catch ourselves driving without thinking. This means all motorists and truckers should not allow themselves to be distracted from processing vital driving information. We should always think our way out of trouble on the road or, much

better still, think ahead to avoid the danger.

Motorists are better off not allowing emotions to dictate a response to a traffic situation but rather to figure out the most intelligent response.

C is for control: It is in our best interest to learn how to control this large machine. It has a lot of mass and is capable of death and a tremendous amount of destruction.

Every motorist should understand what it takes to control their vehicle in ex-

treme conditions. This includes emergency situations such as collision avoidance, emergency lane changes and skids and slides.

Most drivers are in control as long as the driving scene goes as planned. However, when the situation turns ugly, the vast majority have no idea what their vehicle will do or how to control it.

Every motorist should learn how to control their vehicle in emergency situations, on winter roads and any other extreme setting we come across.



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These burgers are extremely moist and flavourful due to the hoisin sauce.

Instead of beef, use ground chicken, veal or pork, or try a combination. Serve these on miniature hamburger buns and add some sautéed onions.

If you prefer, make four or five regular burgers instead of the minis.

Ingredients

- 1 lb extra-lean ground beef
- 1/4 cup dry bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup chopped green onion
- 3 tbsp chopped cilantro or parsley
- 4 tbsp hoisin sauce
- 2 tsp minced fresh garlic
- 1 tsp minced fresh ginger
- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp water
- 1 tsp sesame oil

Miniature Hoisin Garlic Burgers



This recipe serves five. Two mini burgers are 264 calories and contain 7 grams of fat. BRIAN MACDONALD, FROM ROSE REISMAN'S COMPLETE LIGHT KITCHEN (WHITECAP BOOKS)

1. Heat the barbecue to high and spray with cooking oil, or preheat the oven to 450 F.

2. Combine the beef, bread crumbs, green onion, cilantro or parsley, 2 tablespoons of the hoisin sauce, garlic,

ginger and egg in a bowl. Mix thoroughly and form into 10 mini burgers.

3. Whisk the water, remaining 2 tablespoons hoisin sauce and sesame oil together in a small bowl.

4. Brush half of the sauce over the burgers.

5. Barbecue, or place on a rack on a baking sheet and bake for 10 to 15 minutes (until no longer pink in the center). Turn the patties

once, halfway through, and brush with the remaining sauce. Serve on mini hamburger buns, if desired, and garnish with sautéed onions.

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Making salty soup edible

Can salty soup be saved? The answer is yes. How easily? That depends. Start with the easiest, quickest fix and advance to more time-consuming methods if needed.

Secret's in the grill to fabulous flank steak with pearl onions

1. In skillet combine water, vinegar, honey, tomato paste, and bay leaf. Add onions and bring to a simmer over medium-low heat. Cover and simmer 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Uncover skillet and increase heat to high. Boil until liquid starts to thicken and is reduced to 4 to 5 tablespoons, about 5

minutes. Remove from heat and stir in 1 1/2 teaspoons of the thyme, 1 teaspoon of the salt, and 1/2 teaspoon of the pepper. Sauce will continue to thicken as it cools. If necessary, add water, 1 tablespoon at a time, to thin the mixture.

2. Combine remaining 2 tea-

spoons thyme, 1 teaspoon salt, and 1/2 teaspoon pepper. Brush steak on both sides with oil and season evenly with spice mix, pressing spices into meat. Allow to stand at room temperature 30 minutes before grilling.

3. Prepare grill for direct cooking over medium heat (350 to

450 F). Grill steak over direct medium heat, with the lid closed, until cooked to your desired doneness, 10 minutes for medium rare, turning once. Remove from grill and let rest 5 minutes. Cut across grain into thin slices. Serve with onions and their sauce. Garnish with thyme. **NEWS CANADA/2013 WEBER-STEPHEN PRODUCTS LLC. RECIPE FROM WEBER'S NEW REAL GRILLING BY JAMIE PURVIANCE. USED WITH PERMISSION.**

Starter. Prosciutto-Wrapped Pineapple



1. Prepare grill for direct cooking over high heat (450 to 550 F).

2. In blender combine paste ingredients. Process until a chunky paste forms, scraping down the sides of the bowl at least once.

3. Coat each pineapple spear with about 1 teaspoon of the paste, and then wrap each spear with two prosciutto slices. Grill the spears over direct high heat, with the lid closed, until the prosciutto is crisp on all sides, 8 to 10 minutes, turning occasionally. Serve. **NEWS CANADA/2013 WEBER-STEPHEN PRODUCTS LLC. RECIPE FROM WEBER'S NEW REAL GRILLING BY JAMIE PURVIANCE. USED WITH PERMISSION.**

Ingredients

- Paste**
- 1/4 cup thinly sliced scalions (white and light green parts)
 - 1 jalapeño chili pepper, roughly chopped
 - 1 tbsp peanut oil
 - 1 tbsp peeled, minced fresh ginger
 - 1 tbsp packed dark brown sugar
 - 1/2 each tsp dried thyme, ground allspice, ground cinnamon, kosher salt
 - 1 large pineapple, peeled, cored, and cut into 16 spears, each about 1 by 5 inches
 - 32 thin slices prosciutto, about 1 lb total

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well.ca and Whole Foods.

Josie Maran Argan Infinity Creamy Oil: Deliciously scented with a hint of citrus, a multi-purpose melting-texture balm for face, hands and flyaways, too. \$34 at Sephora and sephora.ca.

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Mom of the year

- One of the most important jobs on the planet doesn't come with a paycheck, but Canadians have a salary in mind. According to a recent survey conducted by Leger Marketing on behalf of Walmart Canada, Canadians would pay their mom an average annual salary of \$161,287 for all of her hard work.
- "We're thrilled to bring the mom of the year award back for a second year," said Emma Fox, chief marketing officer for Walmart Canada.

"This award celebrates moms as both role models and integral members of the community, and gives Canadians an opportunity to say thank you for everything moms do every day."

- A selection committee of mom ambassadors comprised of three admired Canadian mothers, one Walmart Canada mom and last year's mom of the year will determine the recipient of the 2013 Award.
- New this year is the My

Finalist public voting, where Canadians will have the chance to review the top 20 candidates and vote for one mom they want to see become one of the eight finalists. Each finalist will receive \$10,000 to spend on themselves and the remaining seven will receive \$10,000 for the charity or cause of their choice. The Mom of the Year award recipient will receive \$100,000 for the charity or cause of her choice. For more, visit momoftheyear.ca.

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Givenchy Le Rouge Lipstick: Gorgeous, luxurious, high-pigment lipstick (the first from Givenchy) housed in a sleek, chic, leather and

gleaming metal case. \$38 at Sephora and sephora.ca.

Guerlain Terracotta 4 Seasons Matte Bronzing Powder: An elegant all-seasons quad of skin-warming hues that won't ever make mom look orange. Six shades from pale to deep. \$82 each at Guerlain counters.

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Red Carpet Manicure LED Pro Kit: The strongest of the DIY gel manicure kits for home, with a great range of shades, too. Kit, including LED light and gel polish accessories. \$99.99 at Pharmaprix.

Philosophy: Hope in a Jar redefines fine lines and uneven skin tone. \$55. Total Matteness purifies and minimizes pores while reducing shine from \$29 to \$42. At Sephora, select Bay stores

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Pink Door Bath Salts are a blend of mineral rich Dead Sea salts reputed for skin nourishing properties. Bath and massage oil features natural skin care nutrients such as sunflower, almond and coconut oils. Visit pinkdoordesignlab.com for retailers.

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Bath & Body Works Signature Collection: Includes shower gel, body lotion, fragrance mist, body wash, bubble bath, body scrub, body cream body butter, shimmer mist and eau de toilette. From \$11 to \$29.50 at Bath & Body Works.

StriVectin-AR: Reduces the appearance of deep-set wrinkles and improves skin firmness with active forms of NIA-114 and Retinol. \$120 at Shoppers Drug Mart, Murale, London Drugs and Bay stores.

Sephora hot picks: Yves Saint Laurent Rouge Volupté, Givenchy Le Rouge, Buxom Full Bodied Lipstick, Nars Satin Lip Pencil, Make Up For Ever Aqua Rouge, Bite Beauty Cinnamon Plumping Lip Oil. \$25 to \$39 at Sephora.

Sally Hansen: Complete Salon Manicure is known for its advanced wear, more shine and nourishing care. \$8.95 at select drug and mass retailers.

Clockwise, from top left, Red Carpet Manicure LED Pro Kit, \$99.99 at Pharmaprix, Givenchy Le Rouge Lipstick, \$38 at Sephora and sephora.ca, Tata Harper Skincare Deluxe Beauty Set, \$65 at beautyark.ca and kissandmakeup.ca.



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Cole Harbour's Cameron takes reins of Regina Pats

Major coaching changes were announced on Wednesday to the Regina Pats coaching staff. After two seasons with the team, head coach Pat Conacher will be leaving the Pats and assistant coach Malcolm Cameron of Cole Harbour will be taking over his responsibilities.

Conacher still had one season left on his three-year contract.

Cameron will be taking the reins of the Pats who finished last season with a 25-38-9 record.

"We ran into some pretty tough luck with injuries to our older players," said Cameron. "We were a little bit behind the eight ball because of that, however, all the extra minutes our younger players got because of that translates into some good experience."

Cameron has spent the last two years as the assistant coach of the Pats. Before that he spent nine seasons as a head coach in the East Coast Hockey League.

Cameron says there is a real difference between coaching at the professional level and coaching juniors.

"With junior hockey it is so invigorating just to come into the rink everyday because the kids just want to learn," said Cameron. "I have always fancied myself as a teacher and when I got into junior hockey I really saw the impact that you can make as a coach."

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OHL

Colts joust Knights off their high horse

Mark Scheifele scored four times during Barrie's five-goal third period, as the Colts bounced the London Knights 6-4 in Game 4 of the OHL final on Wednesday.

The win puts Barrie a win away from its second-ever Memorial Cup appearance with a 3-1 series lead.

"It was a good third period for us," said Scheifele, whose Colts trailed 3-1 after 40 minutes. "We really put it together."

Scheifele, who had three goals and two assists in Monday's victory, also picked up an assist, and has 39 points in 19 post-season contests.

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Halifax Mooseheads forward Stefan Fournier looks on as a puck shot by teammate Martin Frk gets stuck in the net behind Baie-Comeau Drakkar goaltender Philippe Cadorette during the second period on Wednesday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Mooseheads on the verge of greatness

One to go. Halifax rallies to beat Baie-Comeau, can win first QMJHL title at home Friday



ANDREW RANKIN

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It was more than just another goal for Nathan MacKinnon for so many reasons.

Playing in a capacity rink where he was public enemy No. 1, MacKinnon was ecstatic to be an integral part of the Halifax Mooseheads' memorable 7-4 come-from-behind victory against the Baie-Comeau Drakkar at the Henry Leonard Centre on Wednesday night.

Outshot 43-27 on the night and down 2-0 early in the second period, the Mooseheads exploded for six goals on six shots in the middle frame.

The 17-year-old MacKinnon fired a laser just under the crossbar for the Herd's fifth tally of the period.

"I'd be lying if I said it was just another goal," said MacKinnon, who's been shunned by Baie-Comeau fans since refusing to play for the team two years ago.

"I definitely haven't had a feeling like that in a while and it was a very big time as well. I

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Mooseheads

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Game 5 ticket sales

Tickets for Game 5 of the QMJHL final go on sale to the general public Thursday at 10 a.m. Tickets will be sold through all Ticket Atlantic outlets and there is a maximum of six tickets per person.



It took three referees to remove the puck on a second-period goal by Martin Frk. JEFF HARPER/METRO

was so excited about it."

With the Mooseheads up 3-1 in the best-of-seven QMJHL final, the Cole Harbour native has a chance to win the President Cup at home on Friday night.

"It is going to be awesome. The fans are going to get into it. We're going to have 11,000 strong really cheering us on," he said. "We want nothing more than a President Cup. I think it's a blessing in disguise that we lost Game 3, so we can win it in front of our fans."

Mooseheads forward Jonathan Drouin, who picked up four points, started Wednesday's onslaught seven minutes into the second and Trey Lewis capped it, scoring before the third was a minute old.

He then added insult to injury when he shushed the crowd after the tally.

Martin Frk tallied twice while Andrew Ryan and Konrad Abeltshauser rounded out the scoring.

Samuel Noreau, Petr Straka, Carl Gelinas and Gabryel Paquin-Boudreau responded for Baie-Comeau.

Appropriately the contest wasn't without controversy.

Mayhem broke loose in the final minute of regulation after Drakkar forwards Charles Poulin and Alec Jon Banville each took runs at Mooseheads netminder Zach Fucale.

Mooseheads head coach Dominique Ducharme resisted comment about the late-game drama.

For Drakkar bench boss Eric Veilleux, there was no easy answers for the Mooseheads' firepower.

"What can I say, they are a very offensively talented team."

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4 SPORTS

Leafs' best thwarted by Bruins in Game 4

NHL playoffs. Krejci completes hat trick in overtime as Boston takes stranglehold of series

David Krejci scored his third goal of the night at 13:06 of overtime Wednesday to give the Boston Bruins a 4-3 win over the Toronto Maple Leafs and a commanding 3-1 lead in their playoff series.

Krejci beat James Reimer with a shot from the faceoff circle after coming down the left wing.

The Leafs now face a potentially decisive Game 5 on Friday in Boston, where history and the Bruins are against them.

The Bruins are 15-2 when leading a best-of-seven series 3-1. And Toronto is 2-12-1 in its last 15 games in Boston.

Goalies Tuukka Rask and



Leafs goalie James Reimer and captain Dion Phaneuf fall to stop a shot by Bruins centre David Krejci on Wednesday night at Air Canada Centre.
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Reimer were both busy in an end-to-end overtime, with Toronto's Matt Frattin hitting Rask's goalpost some six minutes in.

Joffrey Lupul, Cody Franson and Clarke MacArthur

scored for Toronto.

Patrice Bergeron added a single for Boston, with captain Zdeno Chara collecting four assists.

Krejci now has five goals and five assists in the series,

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combining with linemates Milan Lucic (0-7) and Nathan Horton (3-3) for eight goals and 15 assists.

The Leafs used their speed to great effect and led 2-0 after the first period, only to see the Bruins fight back to take a 3-2 lead in the second before Toronto stopped the slide with a late goal of its own.

Tied 3-3, the game hung in the balance to open the third. It was a crucial period with the Leafs either pulling even in the series or going down 3-1.

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NHL playoffs

Rangers even up series with Caps

Dan Girardi and Derek Stepan scored third-period goals for the New York Rangers, who squandered a two-goal lead and then held on to get even in their series with a 4-3 win over the Washington Capitals on Wednesday night.

Girardi ripped a shot from above the left circle, off a feed from Derick Brassard, to give the Rangers the lead again with a power-play goal 59 seconds into the third. The advantage was created by Jason Chimera's interference penalty at the end of the second.

Stepan made it 4-2 at 6:02, scoring into a wide-open net at the end of a give-and-go play in front with Carl Hagelin, who had a goal and two assists. Stepan made it 4-2 at 6:02, scoring into a wide-open net at the end of a give-and-go play in front with Carl Hagelin, who had a goal and two assists.

Game 5 will be back in Washington on Friday.

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Penguins-Islanders

Fleury gets hook for pivotal Game 5

Pittsburgh Penguins coach Dan Bylsma insists he still believes in Marc-Andre Fleury, that the issues for the reeling Penguins go far beyond the struggles of their goaltender.

Still, that didn't stop Bylsma from making a switch he hopes will shift momentum in Pittsburgh's slightly bewildering first-round playoff series with the New York Islanders, tied 2-2.

Tomas Vokoun will get the start in Game 5.

"We brought Tomas Vokoun in to play big games for us," Bylsma said.

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Marc-Andre Fleury let in six goals on 24 shots on Tuesday.
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NBA playoffs

Heat hand Bulls monumental loss

It was the biggest post-season win in Miami Heat history, and the biggest post-season loss in Chicago Bulls history.

And it might have been actually worse than that sounds.

Ray Allen scored 21 points in only 19 minutes, LeBron James finished with 19 points and nine assists, and the Heat led by as many as 46 points on the way to a 115-78 victory on Wednesday night in Game 2 of their series, now knotted at one game apiece.

Sure, the Heat have lost home-court advantage in these Eastern Conference semifinals. But an absolute domination of the Bulls made the reigning NBA champions look like the clear-cut team to beat in this title race once again.

"We're still in the hole," said Heat coach Erik Spoelstra, whose team will need to win at least one game in Chicago if it's going to prevail in this series.

But given how one-sided Wednesday was, that wouldn't seem like too tall a challenge.

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MLB. Rays pound shaky Blue Jays with heavy bats, steady pitching

Matt Moore won his sixth straight decision to start the season, Evan Longoria drove in three runs, and the Tampa Bay Rays beat the Toronto Blue Jays 10-4 on Wednesday night.

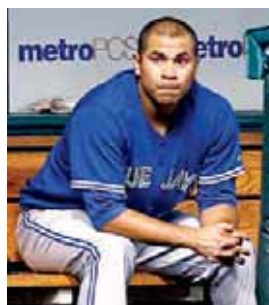
Moore (6-0) overcame control issues, allowing two runs, six hits and four walks in five innings. The left-hander threw 104 pitches, including 56 strikes, during his seventh start of the year.

The Rays lost the first two games of the series, blowing a seven-run lead Monday and a three-run advantage Tuesday.

Struggling Blue Jays starter Ricky Romero (0-2) gave up three run-scoring singles and got just one out during his second outing this year.

After Edwin Encarnacion put the Blue Jays up 2-0 with a two-run homer, Tampa Bay took a 3-2 lead in the bottom of the first on bases-loaded singles by Longoria, James Loney and Luke Scott off Romero.

Tampa Bay went ahead 4-2 in the second on Ben Zobrist's RBI single. Longoria made it 6-2 on his two-run drive during the fourth. Johnson's homer came in a four-run sixth that extended the Tampa Bay lead to 10-2. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Ricky Romero pitched just 1/3 of an inning before being pulled on Wednesday in St. Petersburg, Fla.
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J.A. Happ

Less than 24 hours after he was hit on the head by a line drive and carted off the field, Toronto pitcher J.A. Happ was back at Tropicana Field on Wednesday.

- The 30-year-old said he had a skull fracture that doctors believe will heal on its own, as well as a sore right knee that he tweaked when he dropped to the ground.

NHL PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE QUARTERFINALS

(Best-of-7 series; All times Eastern)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

PITTSBURGH (1) V. NY ISLANDERS (8)

(Series tied 2-2)

Tuesday's result

N.Y. Islanders 6 Pittsburgh 4

Thursday's game

N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.

MONTREAL (2) VS. OTTAWA (7)

(Ottawa leads 3-1)

Tuesday's result

Ottawa 3 Montreal 2 (OT)

Thursday's game

Ottawa at Montreal, 7 p.m.

WASHINGTON (3) V. NY RANGERS (6)

(Series tied 2-2)

Wednesday's result

N.Y. Rangers 4 Washington 3

Friday's game

N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

BOSTON (4) VS. TORONTO (5)

(Boston leads 3-1)

Wednesday's result

Boston 4 Toronto 3 (OT)

Friday's game

Toronto at Boston, 7 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CHICAGO (1) VS. MINNESOTA (8)

(Chicago leads 3-1)

Tuesday's result

Chicago 3 Minnesota 0

Thursday's game

Minnesota at Chicago, 9:30 p.m.

ANAHEIM (2) VS. DETROIT (7)

(Series tied 2-2)

Wednesday's result

Detroit at Anaheim

Friday's game

Anaheim at Detroit, 8 p.m.

VANCOUVER (3) VS. SAN JOSE (6)

(San Jose wins 4-0)

Tuesday's result

San Jose 4 Vancouver 3 (OT)

Sunday's game

San Jose 5 Vancouver 2

ST. LOUIS (4) VS. LOS ANGELES (5)

(Los Angeles leads 3-2)

Wednesday's result

Los Angeles 3 St. Louis 2

Friday's game

St. Louis at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.

NBA PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS

(Best-of-7 series; All times Eastern)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

MIAMI (1) VS. CHICAGO (5)

(Series tied 1-1)

Wednesday's result

Miami 115 Chicago 78

Friday's game

Miami at Chicago, 8 p.m.

NEW YORK (2) VS. INDIANA (3)

(Series tied 1-1)

Thursday's result

New York 105 Indiana 79

Saturday's game

New York at Indiana, 8 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

OKLAHOMA CITY (1) V. MEMPHIS (5)

(Series tied 1-1)

Tuesday's result

Memphis 99, Oklahoma City 93

Saturday's game

Oklahoma City at Memphis, 5 p.m.

SAN ANTONIO (2) V. GOLDEN STATE (6)

(San Antonio leads series 1-0)

Wednesday's result

Golden State at San Antonio

Friday's game

San Antonio at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

SOCCER

MLS

Wednesday's results

Houston 4 D.C. 0

New York 2 Montreal 1

Salt Lake 2 New England 1

Seattle 1 Kansas City 0

Portland 1 Dallas 1

Toronto at San Jose

ENGLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE

Wednesday's results

Manchester City 1 West Brom 0

Swansea 3 Wigan 2

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	21	13	.618	—
Boston	21	13	.618	—
New York	19	13	.594	1
Tampa Bay	15	18	.455	5½
Toronto	13	22	.371	8½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	19	12	.613	—
Kansas City	17	13	.567	1½
Cleveland	17	14	.548	2
Minnesota	15	15	.500	3½
Chicago	14	18	.438	5½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	21	13	.618	—
Oakland	18	17	.514	3½
Seattle	16	19	.457	5½
Los Angeles	11	22	.333	9½
Houston	10	24	.294	11

Wednesday's results

Baltimore 5 Kansas City 3
Cleveland 4 Oakland 3
Minnesota 15 Boston 8
Tampa Bay 10 Toronto 4
Houston 3 L.A. Angels 1
Thursday's games — All times Eastern
Oakland (Colon 3-1) at Cleveland (Kazmir 1-1), 12:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Guthrie 4-0) at Baltimore (Garcia 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Correa 3-2) at Boston (Lackey 1-2), 7:10 p.m.
Toronto (Dickey 2-5) at Tampa Bay (Price 1-3), 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Vargas 1-3) at Houston (Harrell 3-3), 8:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Wednesday's results

Atlanta 7 Cincinnati 2
St. Louis 5 Chicago Cubs 4
San Diego 1 Miami 0
San Francisco 4 Philadelphia 3 (10)
Arizona at L.A. Dodgers
INTERLEAGUE
Seattle 2 Pittsburgh 1
Washington 3 Detroit 1
Chicago White Sox 6 N.Y. Mets 3
Texas 4 Milwaukee 1
N.Y. Yankees 3 Colorado 2

Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

The only obstacles you will face today are ones you create for yourself — so don't create any. Whatever you are doing, just take your time. What's the rush? Slow down and smell the flowers along the way.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You know what you want, you know how to get it and no force on Earth is going to stop you. With that kind of determination you are sure to accomplish some remarkable things over the next few days.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Why can't you just accept that people are different and see things in different ways? The message of the stars today is that your time and energy are precious — don't waste them.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Someone seems to believe that you are weak and that you would rather give in than fight for your rights. It is essential that you set the record straight. Stand up to their bullying ways.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

There could be an emotional scene today, but you cannot allow your feelings to overpower common sense. Someone has got to think logically and it looks like that someone is you.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You can spend your life worrying about things that may never happen. Or you can push your doubts to one side and devote your time and energy to having a good time.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Cosmic activity in the wealth area of your chart means you would be wise to resist any urge to spend money for the sake of it. Aim to end the week with more cash in your pocket than when you started.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Tomorrow's eclipse in Taurus, your opposite sign, marks the halfway point of your solar year. It's a good time to look back at the past six months. What have you accomplished? Where can you improve?

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You need to face facts, both in your personal life and at work. Something you once had high hopes for is not working out the way you intended and you must change it or forget it.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You may not want to push yourself to the front but from the look of your solar chart, you have little choice in the matter. Someone needs to take the lead and few people are more qualified than you.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Someone is stirring up trouble just to see how you will react. You can resist the urge to rise to the bait or you can pretend to be really annoyed and give them hell. It could be lively.

Pisces

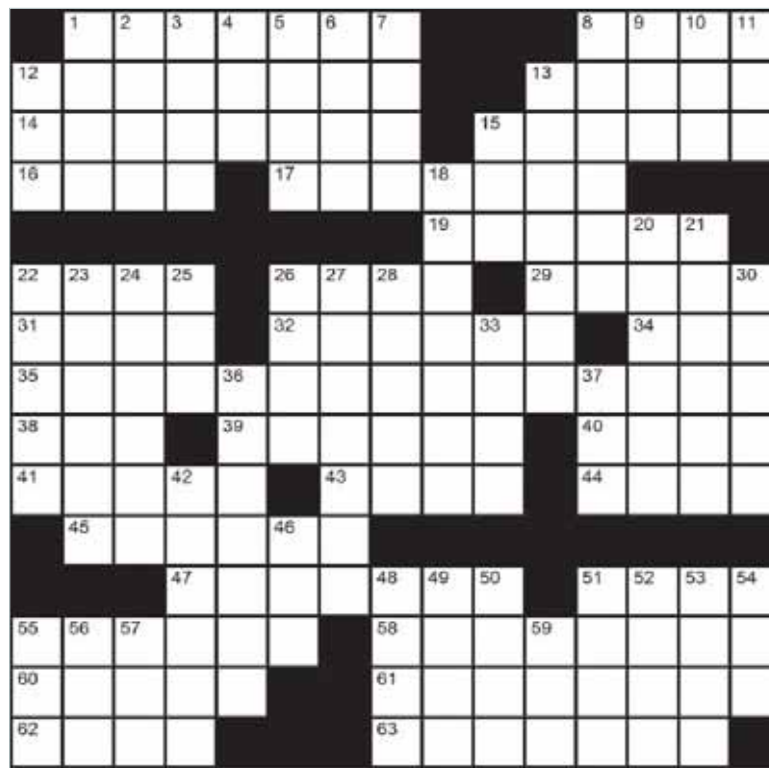
Feb. 20 - March 20

Every now and then the pressure builds up to such an extent that you need to find ways to let off steam. The trick is to do so in constructive ways. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

- May 9th to 12th, 1885: Battle of ___ (North-West Rebellion conflict, fought in Saskatchewan)
- Shipshape
- Retro photo
- Scorch
- Anne Murray hit
- 1985 Ron Howard directed flick
- 'Clement' completers (Juicy fruits)
- Stephen ___ (Canadian author of Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town)
- TV weatherman Al's surnamesakes
- Hertz rival
- "Old man look ___ life..." - Neil Young
- Make really happy
- ___ put into other words...
- Scram: 2 wds.
- Fido's doc
- Yuk Yuk's performer: 2 wds.
- Seafood, to some
- Season the fries again
- Wing ___ prayer
- "Survivor" team
- Cartoon fight sound effects
- Actress Susan, and others
- Deli selection
- Imitate
- Single-named super-model



- Attired, Caesar-style
- Los Angeles, colloquially: 3 wds.
- Swashbuckler's prop
- Andrea Martin character, Edith ___
- Gambit
- Chosen, in sports: 3

- Down
- German city
- Hand cream ingredient
- Some marbles
- Globe
- Spiral shape
- "Spenser: For ___" ('80s

- series)
- Norse epic
- Sudbury stuff
- Antacid brand
- "It's ___" (Greenlight giver's comment)
- Perfect rating, spelled-out

- Series Dan Aykroyd hosted, "___ Factor: Chronicles of the Paranormal"
- ___ salmon
- Pigeon's patter
- Farley Mowat book, Never ___
- Valley
- Unwavering
- Plus
- Politician pickers
- Roma's realm
- ___ of the Mask"
- Flu symptom
- Gardener's purchase
- Robert Mithum/Jane Russell movie of 1952
- Belonging to Sicily's volcano
- Li'l quantities
- Imagined
- Common sitcom role
- ___-eyed
- Spa mask ingredient
- Purina rival
- Mountain lake
- Charles Lamb's pen name
- Ms. Sommer
- ___ fide (In bad faith)
- Memory: Prefix
- "Com" completer (Funny flick)
- Tea party utens.
- Bird of Minerva
- Doubled word with Dolls (Rock band)
- Play part

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku



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Friday

16°/6°
Showers
40%

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